

credit union movement, and Navy Federal Credit Union has exemplified that philosophy for decades. I wish Mr. Dawson good luck in his new role as a member of the NAFCU board of directors.

RECOGNIZING NATHANIAL CALEB HORN FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2006

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Nathaniel Caleb Horn, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 204, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Nathan has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Nathan has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Nathaniel Caleb Horn for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING TIM FRIEDMAN

SPEECH OF

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 24, 2006

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend sincere congratulations to my friend Tim Friedman upon his retirement from the Democratic Cloakroom. Tim, a Lackawanna, NY native, has dedicated 30 years of his life to service in the House of Representatives.

Tim began his career in Washington in 1976 in the House of Representatives under Congressman Dan Rostenkowski. Shortly after, he worked under Doorkeeper James T. Molloy as a doorkeeper and in 1982 transferred to the House Sergeant at Arms. In 1985, Tim was appointed to the House Democratic Cloakroom as Assistant Manager. For over 20 years, Tim has been a constant presence in the Cloakroom, and has tirelessly worked on behalf of House Democrats.

The Democratic Cloakroom has been like a home away from home for me over these past 19 months. It's been an honor and pleasure to have Buffalo guys in the Cloakroom—people like Tim Friedman and Bob Fischer, who have been terrific public servants in the House, and who have shown me the ropes and ways of the House.

It is with great pride and gratitude that I stand here today to recognize Tim Friedman for his many years of service and for his commitment to Democrats, and the House of Representatives. I wish Tim and his wife Colleen many years of continued health and happiness.

HONORING TIM FRIEDMAN

SPEECH OF

HON. JANE HARMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 24, 2006

Ms. HARMAN. Mr. Speaker, somehow, I thought Tim and I would grow old together. For 30 years, he has always been there for us: friendly, informed, endlessly patient with our endless questions, and always ready with his wry smile.

There will be a void now in the cloakroom, a physical gap that we all will feel. But more: there will be a void in our Caucus, where Tim has provided such competent guidance, continuity and wisdom.

Godspeed, Tim. You have made a big difference here.

TRIBUTE TO KEN WRINKLE OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FL

HON. GINNY BROWN-WAITE

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2006

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a distinguished veteran and true friend to the men and women who served in our armed forces. Ken Wrinkle, a man who I have known and worked with for many years, passed away just last week. Beloved by those whose lives he touched, Ken's memory will live on with the veterans of Hernando County, FL.

Born in Pontiac, MI, in 1950, Ken and his family moved to Miami, FL, in 1952. Following his high school graduation and time spent in college, Ken enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1969.

A Vietnam combat veteran, Ken was awarded the Purple Heart and the Combat Action Ribbon for wounds received in battle. Evacuated to the United States, Ken recovered from his injuries and received a medical discharge from the U.S. Marine Corps.

Continuing his studies at Michigan State University, Ken graduated from college in 1974. While in pursuit of his degree, Ken met and married his wife Linda. Following graduation, Ken volunteered to re-enter the U.S. Marines Corps through the Officer Candidate Program and was commissioned an Infantry Lieutenant. Ken went on to successfully complete 20 years of service, retiring as a Major on January 1, 1993.

Eventually settling with his family in Spring Hill, FL, in May 1993, Ken, a disabled veteran, was named the Hernando County Veterans Services Officer and Director. Following 12 years of distinguished service to the veteran community, illness forced him to retire in July 2005.

As Director of Veterans' Services, Ken was able to accomplish several of his goals for the region, including starting a network to provide transportation for veterans to the Tampa VA hospital. He also supported the VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic in Brooksville, a facility that today serves over 23,000 veterans annually.

Ken is survived by his wife of 33 years, Linda, a teacher at Powell Middle School, and

his son, John, a U.S. Air Force veteran currently attending college.

Mr. Speaker, the volunteer spirit of men like Ken Wrinkle shines through in the legacy he has left behind in Hernando County. Unfortunately, one less star will be shining in our local veteran community. From now on, area veterans must look up to the heavens to see Ken's light shining down on them from above. I speak for many when I say that Ken Wrinkle will be sorely missed.

RECOGNIZING TRENT KENDALL GERMAN FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2006

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Trent Kendall German a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 9, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Trent has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Trent has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Trent Kendall German for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

TRIBUTE TO STATE REPRESENTATIVE ALLEN LAYSON

HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2006

Mr. ADERHOLT. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor State Representative Allen Layson on the occasion of his retirement from the Alabama House of Representatives. Allen is a man who embodies the American principles of hard work, dedication to one's family and service to one's country. I am honored to stand before this body of Congress and this Nation to recognize his many accomplishments.

Allen was born on December 16, 1931 in Eatonton, Georgia. He graduated from Eatonton High School in 1947. He entered the United States Army Reserves in 1948 and volunteered for active duty service in 1951 and was discharged in 1953. Immediately after leaving the Army, Allen attended the University of Georgia and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Forestry in just three years, graduating in 1956.

Allen and his family moved to Pickens County in 1969, and he soon demonstrated his outstanding leadership to the Reform community. He served as president of the Reform Rotary Club, is the founder of the Reform Area Public Library, is a member of the American Legion, a member of the Pickens County Mental Health Association, a Master Mason, and a member of the Boy Scout Troop Committee.